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In response to the Office Action of December 24, 2003, Applicants request the Examiner's reconsideration and reexamination of the application, in view of the following remarks and Declaration. This response is being filed within the three month time period, however, if any fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 20-0087.

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge withdrawal of all 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejections, as well as the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). The sole remaining rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) is addressed below.